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Admiralty-Office, September 10, 1779.

YESTERDAY in the Evening the Honorable Vice-Admiral Barrington, and Captain Sawyer, of His Majesty's Ship the Boyne, arrived at this Office with Dispatches from the Honourable Vice-Admiral Byron, of which the following are Copies and Extracts.

Copy of a Letter from the Honourable Vice Admiral Byron to Mr. Stephens, dated Princeps Royal at Sea, the 8th of July, 1779.

S I R,

AGREEABLE to what I wrote you by the St. Abas, Duplicate of which will accompany the Dispatch from St. Christopher's the 15th of last Month, at the same Time the Trade left it for Europe, and proceeded to Windward of the Islands for Protection of the Convoy, intending to call at Barbados in my Way to St. Lucia; but a strong Lee Current, with the Wind at East, retarded our Progress so much, that it was the 30th of June before the Squadron could weather the Island of Martinico. This induced me to proceed directly to St. Lucia, where I arrived next Morning, and learnt that the French had possessed themselves of the Island of St. Vincent, with a very small Force, and without Opposition. Upon a Conference with Major-General Grant it was determined to attempt the Retaking of St. Vincent's, for which Purpose the Troops were ordered to be embarked immediately on board the Transports, and every Thing got in Readiness without a Moment's Loss of Time; but Intelligence being received of a Fleet seen that Morning to Leeward steering a Course for Grenada, I wrote to Lord Macartney, by one of his Aids de Camp, that happened to be at St. Lucia, to give his Lordship Notice of our Motions, and that the Troop and Squadron would immediately come to his Relief, if, at St. Vincent, or on the Passage thither, we should learn that Grenada was attacked. I likewise sent an Officer in a fast sailing Schooner to look into Fort Royal Bay, where he saw Thirteen large Ships, which he supposed Ships of War, more especially as one of them bore a Flag at the Foretop Gallant Mast-head; but a Frigate and some other small Craft giving him Chase, he was prevented from going so near as he intended.

The Line of Battle, to be transmitted herewith, will shew that the Squadron under my Command consisted of Twenty-one Ships and a Frigate; with these and the Transports I sailed from St. Lucia on Saturday the 3d, and next Afternoon had Intelligence from St. Vincent of more than Thirty Sail of French Men of War and Armed Ships having passed there on Thursday, and among them appeared to be upwards of Twenty Ships of the Line

of Battle; it was farther reported that Mons. de la Motte Piquet had joined the Count D'Estaing about a Week before with a strong Reinforcement. Upon this Information the Signal was made instantly to bear up for Grenada; but it fell calm soon after, and continued so until Nine o'Clock next Morning, about which Time a small Schooner that left Grenada on Saturday Evening came into the Fleet, and the principal Person on board her (a Merchant) reported, that the French had landed about Two thousand five hundred Troops near the Town of St. George on Friday, made an Attack upon the Fort that Night, and were repulsed; that Lord Macartney expected to hold out a Fortnight; and that he had seen the Enemy's Naval Force there, which did not exceed Eight Ships of the Line, besides Frigates and Armed Transports. Another Schooner from Grenada joined us soon after, and brought a similar Account; only the Master of her, who had been frequently a Pilot on board the King's Ships, reported, that the Enemy had between Fourteen and Nineteen Ships of the Line. It being my Intention from this Intelligence to be off St. George's Bay soon after Day-break, I drew the Ships of War from among the Transports, leaving only the Suffolk, Vigilant and Monmouth for their Protection, under the Orders of Rear-Admiral Rowley, who was intended to conduct the Debarkment of the Troops; but he was to join me with these Ships if I saw Occasion for their Service. One of the Enemy's Frigates was very near us in the Night, and gave the Alarm of our Approach. Soon after Day-light on Tuesday the 6th, the French Squadron was seen off St. George's, most of them at Anchor, but getting under Way, seemingly in great Confusion, and with little or no Wind. The Signal was immediately made for a general Chace in that Quarter, as well as for Rear-Admiral Rowley to leave the Convoy; and as not more than Fourteen or Fifteen of the Enemy's Ships appeared to be of the Line from the Position they were in, the Signal was made for the Ships to engage, and form as they could get up; in Consequence of which, Vice Admiral Barrington in the Prince of Wales, with Captain Sawyer in the Boyne, and Captain Gardner in the Sultan, being the Headmost of the British Squadron, and carrying a Press of Sail, were soon fired upon at a great Distance, which they did not return until they got considerably nearer; but the Enemy getting the Breeze of Wind about that Time, drew out their Line from the Cluster they were lying in, by bearing away and forming to Leeward on the Starboard Tack, which shewed their Strength to be very different from our Grenada Intelligence, for it was plainly discovered they had Thirty-four Sail of Ships of War, Twenty-six or Twenty-seven of which were of the Line, and many of those ap-
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appeared of great Force; however the general Chase was continued, and the Signal made for a close Engagement; but our utmost Endeavours could not effect that, the Enemy industriously avoiding it, by always bearing up when our Ships got near them; and I was sorry to observe, that their Superiority over us in sailing gave them the Option of Distance, which they availed themselves of, so as to prevent our Rear from ever getting into Action; and being to Leeward they did great Damage to the Masts and Rigging, when our shot would not reach them. The Ships that suffered most were those the Action began with, and the Grafton, Captain Collingwood, the Cornwall, Captain Edwards, and the Lion, Captain Cornwallis. The spirited Example of Vice Admiral Barrington, with the former Three, exposed them to a severe Fire in making the Attack; and the latter Three happening to be to Leeward sustained the Fire of the Enemy's whole Line as it passed on the Starboard Tack: The Monmouth likewise suffered exceedingly, by Captain Fanshaw's having bore down in a very gallant Manner to stop the Van of the Enemy's Squadron and bring it to Action; but from the very smart and well-directed Fire kept up by these Ships and others that were engaged, I am convinced they did the Enemy great Damage, although their Masts, Rigging and Sails appeared less injured than ours. The Four Ships last mentioned, with the Fame, being so disabled in their Masts and Rigging, as to be totally incapable of keeping up with the Squadron, and the Suffolk appearing to have received considerable Damage in an Attack made by Rear-Admiral Rowley upon the Enemy's Van, I took in the Signal for Chase, but continued that for close Engagement, formed the best Line which Circumstances would admit of, and kept the Wind to prevent the Enemy from doubling upon us, and cutting off the Transports, which they seemed inclined to do, and had the Latter very much in their Power, by means of their large Frigates, independent of Ships of the Line. The French Squadron tacked to the Southward, about Three o'Clock in the Afternoon; and I did the same, to be in Readiness to support the Grafton, Cornwall, and Lion, that were disabled, and a great Way astern: But the Lion being likewise much to Leeward, and having lost her Main and Mizzen Topmasts, and the rest of her Rigging and Sails being cut in a very extraordinary Manner, she bore away to the Westward when the Fleets tacked; and, to my great Surprise, no Ship of the Enemy was detached after her. The Grafton and Cornwall stood towards us, and might have been weathered by the French if they had kept their Wind, especially the Cornwall, which was farthest to Leeward, had lost her Main Topmast, and was otherwise much disabled; but they persevered so strictly in declining every Chance of close Action, notwithstanding their great Superiority, that they contented themselves with firing upon these Ships, when passing barely within Gun shot; and suffered them to rejoin the Squadron, without one Effort to cut them off. The Monmouth was so totally disabled in her Masts and Rigging, that I judged it proper to send Directions in the Evening for Captain Fanshaw to make the best of his Way to Antigua; and he parted Company accordingly.

When we were close in with St. George's Bay, the French Colours were seen flying upon the Fort and other Batteries, which left no Doubt of the Enemy being in full Possession of the Island. To dislodge them was impracticable, considering the State of the two Fleets; I therefore sent Orders to

Captain Barker, the Agent, to make the best of his Way with the Transports to Antigua or St. Christopher's, which ever he could fetch, intending to keep the King's Ships between them and the French Squadron, which at the Close of the Evening was about three Miles to Leeward of us, and I had no Doubt, would at least be as near in the Morning; for although it was evident, from their Conduct throughout the whole Day, that they were resolved to avoid a close Engagement, I could not allow myself to think, that with a Force so greatly superior, the French Admiral would permit us to carry off the Transports unmolested; however as his Squadron was not to be seen next Morning, I conclude he returned to Grenada.

It is my Duty upon this Occasion to represent, that the Behaviour of the Officers and Men of His Majesty's Squadron was such as became British Seamen, zealous of the Honor of their Country, and anxious to support their national Character. The Marines likewise, and Troops that were embarked with their Officers in the King's Ships, behaved as brave Soldiers; and from the exemplary good Conduct of those who got into Action, from the visible Effect which their brisk and well directed Fire had upon the Enemy's Ships, and from that cool determined Resolution and very strong Desire of coming to a close Engagement, which prevailed universally throughout the Squadron, I think myself justifiable in saying, that the great Superiority in Numbers and Force would not have availed the Enemy so much, had not their Advantage over us in Sailing enabled them to preserve a Distance little calculated for deciding such Contests.

You will herewith receive a List of the Killed and Wounded: Vice-Admiral Barrington is among the latter, but his Hurt is slight, which is happily the Case with a considerable Part of the Wounded.

I am, SIR,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,

J. BYRON.

LINE OF BATTLE.

The Suffolk to lead with the Starboard, and the Grafton with the Larboard Tacks on Board.

Hon. Vice-Admiral Barrington's Division,

		Men.	Guns.
Suffolk,	Rear-Admiral Rowley	-	-
	Capt. Christian	-	-
Boyne,	Capt. Sawyer	-	-
Royal Oak,	Capt. Fitzherbert	-	-
Prince of Wales,	Hon. Vice Admiral Barrington	-	-
	Capt. Hill	-	-
Magnificent,	Capt. Elphinston	-	-
Trident,	Capt. Molloy	-	-
Medway,	Capt. Affleck	-	-

Hon. Vice-Admiral Byron, Commander in Chief, his Division.

[*Ariadne Frigate to repeat Signals.*]

		Men.	Guns.
Fame,	Capt. Butchart	-	-
Nonsuch,	Capt. Griffith	-	-
Sultan,	Capt. Gardner	-	-
Princess Royal,	Hon. Vice-Admiral Byron	-	-
	Capt. Blair	-	-
Albion,	Capt. Bowyer	-	-
Stirling Castle,	Capt. Carkett	-	-
Elizabeth,	Capt. Truscott	-	-

Rear-

Rear-Admiral Parker's Division.

		Men.	Guns.
Yarmouth,	Capt. Bateman	- 500	64
Lion,	Hon. W. Cornwallis	- 500	64
Vigilant,	Sir Digby Dent	- 500	64
Conqueror,	Rear-Admiral Parker	- 617	74
	Capt. Harwood	- 600	74
Cornwall,	Capt. Edwards	- 500	64
Monmouth,	Capt. Fanshaw	- 600	74
Grafton,	Capt. Collingwood	- 600	74

A Return of the Killed and Wounded on Board His Majesty's Squadron under Command of the Honorable Vice-Admiral Byron, in an Action with the French Fleet, off Grenada, the 6th Day of July, 1779.

Ships.	Killed.	Wounded.
Suffolk	7	25
Boyne	12	30
Royal Oak	4	12
Prince of Wales	26	46
Magnificent	8	11
Trident	3	6
Fame	4	9
Sultan	15	39
Princess Royal	3	6
Albion	-	2
Stirling Castle	2	6
Elizabeth	1	2
Cornwall	16	27
Monmouth	25	28
Grafton	35	63
Medway	-	4
Lion - not known with Certainty, but said by Capt. Fanshaw, who spoke her after she parted from the Squadron, to be	21	30
	183	346

OFFICERS.

Lieut. W. Bowen Parrey, of the Royal Oak; Lieut. John Hutchins, 2d Lieut. of the Grafton; and Mr. Necoll Bower the Gunner; Lieut. Jonah Veale, of the Marines, Sultan	Killed.
Lieut. Richards, of Marines, Royal Oak; Lieut. Brett, of the Grafton; Lieut. Caldwell, 46th Regiment, on Board the Sultan; and Lieut. Bowdens, of the 4th Regiment, Magnificent	Wounded.

Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Vice-Admiral Byron to Mr. Stephens, dated Princess Royal off St. Christopher's, July 17, 1779.

I Arrived here the 15th with all the Ships of His Majesty's Squadron that were with me off Grenada, except the Monmouth and Lion; the former got in Yesterday, and the latter is said to be at Anchor off the Island of Saba, where the Maidstone Frigate is sent to her Assistance.

Major-General Grant, with about Half the Transports, are arrived; several more are now coming in.

Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Vice-Admiral Byron to Mr. Stephens, dated Princess Royal at Sea the 3d of August, 1779.

THE Account I had of the Lion being at Anchor under Saba, proved to be a Mistake; and I have not learnt any Thing certain of that Ship since the Monmouth spoke her some Days after the

Action. All the Transports reached St. Christopher's except one Ship, with the Lieutenant-Colonel and Part of the 4th Regiment on board, which Ship had lost her Mizzen-Mast by another Vessel running foul of her; and I learnt from two Gentlemen who left Grenada about a Week ago, that the fell in with the French Fleet, and was taken the Day after the Action. The same Gentlemen acquainted me, that although great Pains were taken to conceal the Loss which the French sustained in the Engagement, yet they were well assured, that Three Captains, Eighteen Lieutenants, and Twelve Hundred Men lost their Lives, and that the Wounded amounted to nearly Two Thousand; which Account doth not differ materially from what we had from St. Eustatius, and other Quarters.

Whitehall, Septempber 10, 1779.

Extract of a Letter from Major-General Grant, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in the Leeward Islands, to the Right Honorable Lord George Germain, One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State. Dated on Board the Sybilla Victualler, at Sea, the 8th of July, 1779.

My LORD,

ADMIRAL Byron bore down to Leeward the 6th of June to protect the Trade, which had assembled at Grenada, and were to rendezvous at St. Christopher's. He proceeded accordingly to the last-mentioned Island, and we lost Sight of his Squadron, from the Heights of St. Lucie, the 8th of June.

The French taking Advantage of the Absence of the British Fleet, when employed in protecting the Homeward-bound Trade of the West Indies, sent Four Armed Vessels under the Command of Monsieur le Chevalier Durumain, with Three Hundred Men, composed of Regulars and Militia, and landed the 16th of June upon the Island of St. Vincent. The Island submitted without firing a Shot, and the Capitulation was signed the 17th.

I waited on Admiral Byron as soon as possible, after he came to an Anchor, the 1st of July, at Gros Islet, upon returning with his Fleet from the Cruise to Leeward. When I got on Board, I found he had but just received an Account of the Reduction of St. Vincent's. None of the Express Vessels which had been dispatched for him having been lucky enough to fall in with the Squadron.

The Gentlemen of the Navy who were on Board with the Admiral seemed much alarmed about Grenada. I had not heard of an Attack upon that Island, but readily agreed to proceed with the Fleet and Army to save or retake Grenada and St. Vincent's.

Upon my Return to Head Quarters at Six o'Clock in the Evening, Orders were given for embarking next Morning at Day-break, and the Embarkation was completed in the Course of that Day and Night. The Admiral was informed the 3d, at Seven o'Clock in the Morning, that every Thing was ready to go to Sea.

In Consequence of which Signals were made, and we sailed with Twenty one Ships of the Line, the Ariadne, Fourteen Transports, Four Ordnance, Four Hospital, and Two Convalescent Ships, Three Victuallers, the Agent of Transports, the Engineers, and a Horse Sloop.

We made St. Vincent's the 4th, and were informed that the French had but Three Hundred Regulars and Three Hundred Militia upon the Island; that they were fortifying themselves, with the Assistance of Four Hundred Negroes; and that the Charibbs had joined them.

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The Admiral received Advice the 5th, in the Morning, that Grenada was actually attacked; that the French had from Eight to Ten Sail of the Line, with Seven or Eight Frigates, and had landed from Two to Three Thousand Men; that Lord Macartney was in Possession of the Hill which commands the Town of St. George; and, knowing from a Mr. Houston that he was to receive immediate Support, would of course maintain his Post as long as possible.

The Fleet carried this Day all the Sail they could, and was in Sight of Grenada and the French Fleet the 6th at Day break.

The British Squadron bore down upon them with all the Sail they could croud, and the Attack began at Half an Hour after Seven in the Morning, and continued till Twelve; was renewed again at Two, and continued till sun-set.

General Meadows and I saw the Whole very distinctly from this Ship. Nothing could exceed the determined Bravery and Gallantry of the whole Squadron. We Lookers-on were full of Admiration at many handsome Things which we saw done and attempted in the Course of the Day.

But Things turned out very differently from what we had Reason to expect, from the Intelligence which Admiral Byron had received. D'Estaing was reinforced before he left Martinique, and had at least Twenty-six Sail of the Line and eight Frigates, with Six or Eight Thousand men. The French gave out Ten Thousand Land Troops and Marines.

Admiral Byron therefore very prudently determined to stand for St. Christopher's to rent the damaged Ships, and sent to inform me of his Intention. I am convinced he will soon recover the Superiority at Sea; as the French, though superior in Numbers, must at last give Way to the Intrepidity of the British Squadron.

Admiralty-Office, Sept. 11, 1779.

Extract of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Edwards Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships at Newfoundland, to Mr. Stephens, dated St. John's, July 24, 1779.

I Arrived here the 21st Instant; I found His Majesty's Ship Surprise, Captain Reeve, who, on the 14th Instant, was preparing her for Sea; and receiving Information, that His Majesty's armed Schooner Egmont had been attacked and taken off Cape Spear, that Day, by a Privateer Brig, immediately slipped his Cables, and went out after her. In the Evening he got Sight of her, chased, and about Twelve o'Clock at Night took her. She proved to be the Wild Cat Privateer of Salem, not ten Weeks off the Stocks, mounting fourteen Carriage Guns, and had Seventy-five Men when she came out. Lieutenant Gardiner and Twenty of the Egmont's People were retaken in her, but unfortunately the Schooner had separated before Captain Reeve, whose Conduct upon this Occasion deserves much Commendation, could get Sight of them.

I have the Pleasure to inform their Lordships, that Captain Cadogan, in His Majesty's Ship Licorne, on the 31st of May fell in with and took L'Audacieuse French Privateer of Twenty-four Six-pounders, and 194 Men, who engaged him Half an Hour. The Privateer had 22 Men killed, and 17 wounded. The Licorne had only one Man wounded.

On the 15th of June Captain Cadogan parted with his Convoy in Lat. 48° 50' North, and Long. 42° 48' West, in a violent Gale of Wind; and on the 19th (in Sight of Land off here) saw a Ship, which he chased, and at Two P. M. the next Day,

came up with and took her. She proved to be the General Sullivan American Privateer, of Twenty-four Six-pounders, and 106 Men, and arrived here the next Day with the Licorne and French Prize. I beg Leave to note, that Captain Cadogan's Conduct in preserving his Convoy from the 29th, (the Day he first saw the French Privateer) to the 31st (the Day on which he took her) is very commendable.

Captain Pasley, in His Majesty's Ship Sibyl, arrived here the 23d of May. In his Passage out he retook the Townside Privateer of Liverpool; and on his first Cruise on the Banks retook a Brig loaded with Wine; both which Prizes he brought in with him to St. John's.

AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,

From August 30, to September 4, 1779.

By the Standard WINCHESTER Bushel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.	Rye.	Barley.	Oats.	Beans.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
London,	4 6	2 4	2 6	2 0	2 7

COUNTIES INLAND.

Middlesex,	4 9	2 7	2 0	2 11
Surrey,	4 10	3 3	2 8	2 3
Hertford,	4 10	3 3	2 8	2 3
Bedford,	4 7	2 6	2 0	2 11
Hampshire,	4 2	2 3	1 9	2 8
Gloucestershire,	4 6	2 7	1 9	2 9
Northampton,	4 9	2 4	1 10	2 9
Leicestershire,	4 9	2 8	1 9	2 8
Lincoln,	4 6	2 8	1 7	2 8
Derby,	4 2	2 9	1 9	2 9
Stafford,	4 5	2 6	1 7	2 9
Warwick,	4 6	2 6	1 9	3 3
Gloucester,	4 3	3 1	1 7	3 8
Wiltshire,	3 9	2 6	1 4	3 4
Worcestershire,	4 0	2 6	1 11	3 4
Warwick,	4 4	2 6	2 0	3 3
Gloucester,	4 3	2 4	1 10	3 1
Wiltshire,	4 2	3 9	2 0	3 6
Berkshire,	4 6	3 8	2 0	2 11
Oxford,	4 5	2 6	2 0	2 11
Bucks,	4 7	2 6	2 0	2 10

COUNTIES upon the COAST.

Essex,	4 6	2 4	2 0	3 0
Suffolk,	4 1	2 3	1 10	2 8
Norfolk,	3 8	2 0	1 10	2 10
Lincoln,	3 10	2 10	1 7	2 8
York,	4 1	2 7	1 11	3 0
Durham,	4 4	2 1	1 11	3 6
Northumberland,	4 0	2 10	1 10	2 5
Cumberland,	4 3	3 3	1 10	3 2
Westmorland,	4 9	3 4	1 9	3 2
Lancashire,	4 11	2 10	1 10	3 8
Cheshire,	4 8	2 10	1 5	3 8
Mercheshire,	4 2	2 11	1 8	3 1
Somerset,	4 1	2 6	1 9	3 1
Devon,	4 0	2 0	1 4	3 1
Cornwall,	3 11	2 1	1 4	3 1
Dorset,	4 6	2 7	2 3	3 9
Hampshire,	4 4	2 7	2 3	3 3
Suffex,	3 11	2 3	2 1	3 1
Kent,	4 7	3 3	2 2	2 11

From August 23, to August 28, 1779.

W A L E S.

North Wales,	5 0	4 0	2 10	1 7	3 6
South Wales,	4 4	2 11	2 8	1 4	3 0

Part of S C O T L A N D.

Wheat.	Rye.	Barley.	Oats.	Beans.	Bg.
3 3	1 11	1 8	1 2	0	0

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John James Catherwood.

Bank of England, September 11, 1779.

THE Court of Directors of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England give Notice, that a General Court will be held at the Bank, on Thursday next, the 16th Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, to consider of a Dividend; which will also be one of the Quarterly General Courts appointed by the Charter.

Francis Martin, Assistant-Secretary.

St. James's.

St. James's, September 7, 1779.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That, in the Night between the 4th and 5th Instant, the Barn of John Boldero, Esq; of Walthamstow in the County of Essex, was consumed by Fire, and that there is great Reason to believe, that the said Barn was wilfully and maliciously set on Fire by Persons unknown: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons who committed the said Crime, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders, (except the Person or Persons who actually set Fire to the said Barn) who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices in the said Offence, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

WEYMOUTH.

And, as a further Encouragement for making such Discovery, the said John Boldero, Esq; does hereby promise a Reward of **ONE HUNDRED POUNDS** to any Person making such Discovery (except as before excepted) to be paid upon Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

John Boldero.

And, as a still farther Encouragement, the Churchwardens of the Parish of Walthamstow do hereby promise an additional Reward of **TWENTY POUNDS**, to any Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as before excepted) to be paid upon the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.

Custom-House, London, August 26, 1779.

FOR SALE,

BY Order of the Honourable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, in the Long Room at the Custom-House, on Thursday the 15th of September next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, in Lots of 2, 6, 8, and 10 Hbds. each.

SUGAR.

Mh.	T.	B.	
205	0	0	Barbadoes.
56	14	0	Antigua.
203	178	141	St. Kitts.
45	24	8	Nevis.
24	32	78	Montserrat.
42	10	0	Tortola.

And 54 Barrels Ginger from Barbadoes.

Samples to be viewed in Wycherley's-yard, opposite Bear Quay, on Tuesday the 14th, Wednesday the 15th, and Thursday the 16th, of September next.

South Sea House, September 11, 1779.

THE Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, that the Transfer Books of Old South Sea Annuities will be shut on Friday the 24th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Friday the 29th of October next.

And that the Warrants for the Half-year's Interest due thereon the 10th of October next, will be paid on Wednesday the 10th of November following; on which Day of Payment the said Transfer Books will be shut.

East-India House, September 8, 1779.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 12th of April, 1780, for the Election of Six Directors of the said Company for Four Years.

Union Fire Office, September 8, 1779.

THE Directors of this Society, for insuring Goods and Merchandise from Loss by Fire, give Notice, that the Half-yearly General Meeting of the Members of the said Society, for electing by Ballot Eight Directors for the Year ensuing, and for reporting the State of

the Office, will be held at their Office in Maiden-lane, near Ch.-church, on Tuesday the 21st Instant, from Nine o'Clock in the Forenoon to Six in the Evening; and that the said General Meeting will be continued by Adjournment, till Wednesday the Day following, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon; where the Proprietors are desired to attend.

Reprisal Association-Office, London,
September 10, 1779.

THE Committee appointed for managing the Affairs of the Reprisal Association give Notice, agreeable to the Deed of Settlement, that a special Meeting of all the Members of the said Society is appointed to be holden at this Office, on Wednesday the 13th Day of October, 1779, precisely at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon; of which all Concerned are desired to take Notice.

Signed, by Order of the Committee,

ROBERT WELLS, Secretary.

Notice to Creditors.

ALL Persons to whom the Estate of the late Mr. Loftus, late of Mansfield, is indebted, are desired to send in their Accounts directly to his Executors, M^r. Robert Wigram, Cornhill, London.

ALL Persons who have any Demands on the Estate of the late John Maberly, of Little Queen-street, Lincoln's-inn-fields, Coachmaker, deceased, are desired to send an Account thereof to Mr. Maberly, in Christ's Hospital, one of the Executors; and such Persons who are indebted to the Estate, are desired to pay their respective Debts forthwith as above.

Whereas, in July last, a Letter was sent by the Post from Haleslowen, Shropshire, directed to Mess^{rs}. Basil and William Herne, Paper-maker-row, including a draft, dated July 15, 1779, drawn by Charles Birch on Sir Charles Asgill and Co. London, for 73*l*. 9*s*. payable at Seven Days Sight, to Thomas Jackson, or Order, has by some Accident miscarried; Notice is hereby given, that Payment is stopped; and all Persons to whom it may be offered for Negotiation are desired to send immediate Notice hereof to Mess^{rs}. Herne.

THE unsatisfied Creditors (if any) of Mr. William Battersby, late of Shadwell in the County of Middlesex, Merchant, deceased, are desired to send an Account of their respective Demands to Mess^{rs}. Lane and Frazar, his Executors, at their Computing house, in North-lane, Lombard-street, or to Mess^{rs}. Leachcote and Walter, Attorneys, at Shadwell; and all Persons who are indebted to the Estate of the said William Battersby, are desired forthwith to pay the same to the said Mess^{rs}. Lane and Frazar, as otherwise they will be sued without any further Notice.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under the First Commission of Bankruptcy awarded and issued against Sir William Duffe-Knigh, of Grafton-street, are desired to call, any Morning this Month, between the Hours of Nine and Twelve, on Mr. Joseph Garth, Coat-maker, in Great Queen-street, Lincoln's-inn-fields, to receive a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Effects.

THE Creditors of Mess^{rs}. Anderson and Colville, late of Sackville-street Wine-merchants and Partners, (Bankrupts) are requested to meet the Assignees, at the Anchor Tavern, on Thursday next, at Twelve o'Clock, at Noon, to consider of investing the Money come to the Hands of the said Assignees for the Benefit of the Bankrupt's Estate; and on other special Affairs. N. B. The Persons indebted to the said Estate, who have not already paid their Debts, are desired to pay the same forthwith to Mr. Spittellwood, No. 20, Austin-church, Solicitor to the Commission, or they will be sued for the same without further Notice.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankruptcy awarded and issued against James Bazley, of the City of Bristol, Merchant, Glover, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of his Estate and Effects, on the 11th Day of October next, at Twelve of the Clock at Noon, at the Bush Tavern, in Corn-street in the City of Bristol, in order to assist at or dissent from the said Assignees' commencing, prosecuting, or defending, any suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compromising, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing to, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankruptcy awarded and issued against Joseph Brown, late of Bathnall-green in the County of Middlesex, Merchant, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Tuesday the 14th Instant, at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Mr. Hargrave's, the Rainbow Coffee-house, Cornhill, London, in order to assist at or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting,

or defending, one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Richard Camps, of Wornegay in the County of Norfolk, Merchant, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on the 5th Day of October next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Duke's Head, in King's Lynn in the said County, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending, any Suit or Suits at Law or Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

Notice to Creditors.

UPON the Application of James Small, Wright at Blackadder Mount, Lord Justice-Clerk, Ordinary on the Bills, on the 12th of August sequestrated his whole Personal Estate; and, on the 19th of the same Month, the Lord Hailes, Ordinary on the Bills, nominated Alexander Christie, jun. Writer in Dunse, to be Factor thereon; and appointed the Creditors to meet within the House of John Moscrop, Vintner in Dunse, on Wednesday the 29th of September instant, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, in order to their continuing the Factor, or chusing another, or a Trustee or Trustees, in his Place, in Terms of the Statute.

Alex. Christie, jun.

Notice to the Creditors of Patrick M'Kellar, Drover in Kilmahummaig, Argyle-shire.

THAT, upon the Application of the said Patrick M'Kellar, the Lords of Council and Session, on the 7th of July, 1779, sequestrated his whole Personal Estate, within Scotland; and, by an Interlocutor dated the 11th of August, 1779, appointed Alexander Campbell, Drover in Airds, to be Factor thereon, in Terms of the Statute of the 12th of His present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for rendering the Payment of the Creditors of Insolvent Debtors, in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, more equal and expeditious," &c.—The said Alexander Campbell, therefore, in Terms of the said Statute, and of an Order of Court, hereby requires the whole Creditors of the said Patrick M'Kellar, by themselves, or by their Attornies or Agents properly authorized to act for them, to meet in the House of Dugald Blair, Vintner in Luchgoilhead, on Wednesday the 15th of September instant, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, in order to their continuing the said Factor, chusing another, or a Trustee or Trustees in his Place, in Terms of the Statute.

Alex. Campbell.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Morris Monck, of the Parish of St. Luke Chelsea in the County of Middlesex, Button-maker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 18th and 25th Days of September instant, and on the 23d Day of October next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Sharpe, Snowhill, London.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Joseph Heylyn, of Cornhill in the City of London, Gun-maker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 14th and 28th Days of September instant, and on the 23d Day of October next, at Ten in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Ingram, Lincoln's-Inn New Square.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against William Child, of Bourton in the Parish of Gillingham in the County of Dorset, Linnen-cloth-maker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 18th and 25th Days of September instant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, and on the 23d Day of October next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Lodge, Attorney, or Mr. Aikenhead, N^o 10, Furnival's-inn.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Few, late of Red-lion-street in the Parish of St. Andrew Holborn in the County of Middlesex, Coal-merchant, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 16th Day of September instant at Five in the Afternoon, on the 18th Day of the same Month at Nine in the Forenoon, and on the 23d of October next at Ten in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Lloyd, Mincing-lane, London.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against William Herrick, of Lubsthorpe in the County of Leicester, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 1st, 2d, and 23d Days of October next, at Four in the Afternoon on each Day, at the House of John Peter Allamand, called the Three Cranes, in Leicester, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Pares, jun. Attorney, in Leicester.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against William Curteis and Benjamin Webb, of Martin's-lane, Cannon-street, London, Merchants, Dealers, Chapmen, and Copartners, intend to meet on the 21st Day of September instant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the separate Creditors of the said Benjamin Webb, who have not already proved their Debts, are desired to come prepared to prove the same, pursuant to the Lord Chancellor's Order for that Purpose.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against Walter Palmer and John Vigurs, both late of Villers-street, York-buildings, in the Parish of St. Martin in the Fields in the County of Middlesex, Copartners, Taylors, Dealers and Chapmen, intend to meet on the 2d Day of October next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against Jacob Barlow, late of Liverpool in the County of Lancaster, Tallow-chandler and Soap-boiler, deceased, intend to meet on the 29th Day of September instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the House of Henry Forshaw, the Golden Lion, in Dale-street in Liverpool aforesaid, in order to make a Further Dividend of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupt; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Elizabeth Murray and James Fox, of Arlington-street in the County of Middlesex, Tailors, Dealers, and Partners, intend to meet on the 16th Day of October next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupts Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against Joseph Herrenden, of Uppingham in the County of Rutland, Grocer, intend to meet on the 6th Day of October next, at Eleven in the Forenoon, at the House of William Ewerdine, the Falcon Inn, in Uppingham, in order to make a Final Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against John Richards, of the City of Chester, Whitesmith, intend to meet on the 28th Day of September instant, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at the Exchange Coffee-house in the City of Chester, in order to make a Dividend of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupt; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against James Mathews, of Brewton in the County of Somerset, Linen draper, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 27th Day of October next, at Four of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Rummer Tavern, in All-saints-lane, Bristol, in order to make a Final Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are desired to come and prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Mark Knarebrough, of the City of Bristol, Merchant, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 13th Day of October next, at Four of the Clock in the Three Tuns Tavern, in Corn-street, Bristol, in order to make a Final Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, may come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against John Hanforth, late of Wood-street, London, Innholder, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 2d Day of November next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupt; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against John Heath and Christopher Heath, of Derby in the County of Derby, Bankers, Money-scrivens, and Copartners, intend to meet on the 27th Day of September instant, at Mr. Samuel Simpson's, the Ship Inn, in Derby; when and where the Creditors of the said Bankrupts, who have already proved their Debts, are to attend, to proceed to the Choice of an Assignee or Assignees of the said Bankrupts Estate and Effects, in the Room of the late Assignees, pursuant to the Lord Chancellor's Order.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Daniel Beale, of Goodman's-fields in the Parish of St. Mary Whitechapel in the County of Middlesex, Flour-factor, Dealer and Chapman, have certified to the Right Honourable Edward Lord Thurlow, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said Daniel Beale hath in all Things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that, by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 2d of October next.

THE following Persons being Prisoners for Debt, in the respective Prisons or Goals hereafter mentioned, do hereby give this Publick Notice, That they do intend to take the Benefit

of an Act of Parliament, passed in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King George the Third, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors; and for the Relief of Bankrupts in certain Cases*; at the next General Special Sessions, or General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held in and for the County, Riding, Division, City, Town, Liberty or Place, or any Adjournment thereof, which shall happen next after TWENTY-ONE Days from the FIRST Publication of the under-mentioned Names. And they do hereby give Notice, that true and perfect Schedules, containing a Discovery of all their Real and Personal Estates (hereafter to be sworn to) are now ready to be delivered to any Creditor applying for the same to the respective Gaolers or Keepers, or their Deputies, in such Manner as by the said Act is directed.

Prisoners in the KING's BENCH Prison in the County of Surry. First Notice.

Henry Waite, formerly of Stapney, late of St. James's Clerkenwell, both in the County of Middlesex, Gentleman.
William Sealy Strangways, formerly of Charlton Adam in the County of Somerset, late of Old Bond-street in the County of Middlesex, Gentleman.
Richard Rogers, formerly and late of Llanvilling in the County of Montgomery, late of Fing o'ue Houle in the Parish of Bramshott in the County of Hants, Dealer and Chapman.
John Rogers, formerly of Kent-street in the Parish of St. George, late of St. John's, both in Southwark in the County of Surry, Victualler.

Second Notice.

Peter Lowle, formerly of Castle-street, Long-acre, in the Parish of St. Giles in the Fields, late of Brooks-market in the Parish of St. Andrew Holborn, both in the County of Middlesex, Cabinet-maker.

THE following Persons being Fugitives for Debt, and beyond the Seas, on the TENTH Day of MARCH, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-eight, and having surrendered themselves to the Gaolers or Keepers of the respective Goals or Prisons hereafter-mentioned, do hereby give this Public Notice, That they intend to take the Benefit of an Act of Parliament, passed in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors; and for the Relief of Bankrupts in certain Cases*; at the next General Special Sessions, or General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, to be held in and for the County, Riding, Division, City, Town, Liberty, or Place, or any Adjournment thereof, which shall happen next after TWENTY-ONE Days from the FIRST Publication of the undermentioned Names. And they do hereby give Notice, That true and perfect Schedules, containing a Discovery of all their Real and Personal Estate, (hereafter to be sworn to) are now ready to be delivered to any Creditor applying for the same to the Gaolers or Keepers, or their Deputies, in such Manner as by the said Act is directed.

Fugitives surrendered to the Keeper of the KING's BENCH Prison in the County of Surry.

First Notice.

Peter Arno, formerly of the City of Bristol, Victualler, late of Grenada in the West Indies, Linguist.
Robert Beaton, formerly of the Horse Guards, late of St. Martin's-lane, both in the County of Middlesex, Victualler.

N. B. If any Person in the foregoing List of Prisoners shall find, on the Perusal of this Gazette, that there is any Error, such Error shall, upon Notice, be rectified in the next Gazette Gratis.